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(b) whether the school is provided with only one cart for Gosha girls; and

(c) whether the leading Muslims of Bellary waited on a deputation recently on the Director of Public Instruction and requested him to grant two more carts?

*A.*—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) Yes.

Diwan Bahadur M. Gopalaswami Mudaliyar:—" May I know whether any orders have been passed in regard to the recommendations made by the leading Muslims of Bellary for the provision of more carts? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—" I do not think the Government have passed any orders on the matter."

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—" May I know whether Government charge anything for girls who come to gosha schools in carts? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—" I do not think they do."

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—" May I know in that case why in other schools also carts should not be provided? There are several Hindu communities in purdah; why should they not be provided with the bandy system, and why should a particular community alone be provided with such conveniences from out of the Provincial funds? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—" That question does not arise. Perhaps the hon. Member may address that question to the hon. Member who has raised this question."

Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan:—" May I know whether Government are not always prepared to grant concessions of the nature given to the Muslim community on account of the fact that they observe the purdah and if any community goes into purdah, Government are prepared to help it to remain in purdah? " (Laughter.)

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—" That is a hypothetical question."

Mahboob Ali Baig Sahib Bahadur:—" Are the non-Muslim gosha women such as the Kshatriyas, etc., as backward in education as the Muslim girls? "

The hon. the President:—" I think we are going far beyond the question."

*Award of scholarships and stipends to Indian Christian Depressed Class students.*

* 533 *Q.*—Diwan Bahadur A. Appadurai Pillai: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Government scholarships or stipends are being awarded to Indian Christian depressed class students;

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(*b*) if so, the total number and amount of such scholarships distributed under the following heads:—

| | No. | Amount. |
|---|---|---|
| (1) Industrial department— | | |
| (i) Industrial schools. | | |
| (ii) School of Arts and Crafts. | | |

| | No. | Amount. |
|---|---|---|
| (2) Educational department— | | |
| Literary education. | | |

| | No. | Amount. |
|---|---|---|
| (3) Labour department— | | |
| (i) Industrial education. | | |
| (ii) Literary education. | | |

(*c*) whether these scholarships or stipends were withheld at any time; and

(*d*) if so, for what period they were so withheld?

*A.*—(*a*) & (*b*) It is presumed that the reference is to scholarships specially intended for converts to Christianity from the depressed classes. Such special scholarships have been instituted only in the Education Department. Their number and approximate annual value are as follow:—

*Scholarship.*

| | Annual value. |
|---|---|
| | RS. |
| Six scholarships tenable in Arts Colleges .. | 526 |
| Sixteen scholarships and 16 fee remissions tenable in each of Forms I to VI of secondary schools .. .. .. .. .. | 7,176 |

(*c*) & (*d*) None of the scholarships mentioned above was withheld at any time; it is, however, reported that one of the collegiate scholarships is likely to lapse in the current year for want of an applicant.

Mr. DANIEL THOMAS:—" May I know whether sufficient steps are taken by the Government to make the availability of the scholarship publicly known? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—" It has been well-known all these years."

Mr. DANIEL THOMAS:—" Do the Government really believe that the scholarship will lapse because there is nobody willing to ask for it? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—" Not all scholarships; it is only one case. I think the Indian Christian students do know that there is such a scholarship ear-marked for them."

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The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" May I point out that the hon. Minister is inaudible ? " (Laughter.)

Mr. G. R. PREMAYYA :—" May I know if industrial education is not education ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" That question relates to quite a different department. It has been examined by that department and found that even at present Indian Christians are getting more than they would be eligible for on any understandable basis, population or otherwise."

## Industries

*Wood-work shop at Olavakkode.*

* 534 *Q.*—Diwan Bahadur A. APPADURAI PILLAI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government took over the wood-work shop abandoned by the Forest department at Olavakkode;

(*b*) if so, when and at what cost; and

(*c*) how the Government propose to utilize the workshop and what progress has been made so far in that direction?

*A.*—The Industries department did not take over the wood-work shop abandoned by the Forest department. The wood-working machinery and the power transmission equipment available there were transferred to the Government Industrial school, Calicut, on 29th May 1932 for a consideration of Rs. 4,400.

So far it has been possible to erect only part of the machinery. It has been found very useful for the manufacture and production of packing cases supplied to the Kerala Soap Institute and for instructional and demonstration purposes. The rest of the machinery will be installed and ready for operation in the course of the year.

*Sericultural operations.*

* 535 *Q.*—Diwan Bahadur A. APPADURAI PILLAI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether sericultural operations were extended to any fresh centres during 1931–32 and 1932–33;

(*b*) if so, (i) to what centres, (ii) what the area under mulberry cultivation is, (iii) what the nature and cost is of the establishment appointed to look after the work; and

(*c*) whether there has been any extension of work at *Palmaner* and *Kuppam* in regard to (i) the area under mulberry cultivation and (ii) the distribution of seed cocoons?